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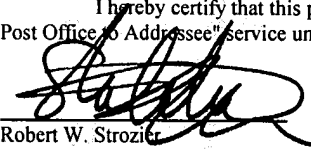
FOR: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
PREVENTING CARGO SPILLS

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**Amended Title**

**APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING RESISTANCE TO CARGO SPILLS  
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**Amended Page 1, Lines 14-17**

This application is a Continuation of United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/032,619, filed 1 November 2001 now United States Patent No. 6,508,189 issued January 21, 2003, which is a Continuation-In-Part Application of United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/676,900, filed on October 2, 2000 now United States Patent No. 6,494,156 issued December 17, 2002, which and also claims provisional priority to United States Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/165,421, filed on November 13, 1999, entitled